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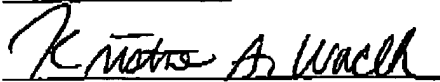
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Applicant:	ALFERNES ET AL.	Examiner:	S. GILBERT
Serial No.:	10/809,962	Group Art Unit:	3736
Filed:	MARCH 26, 2004	Docket No.:	11998.5USC8
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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW WITHOUT AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

The undersigned confirms a telephone conference held with the Examiner on May 13, 2005. At that time, the Examiner had not yet had the opportunity to fully consider Applicant's May 3, 2005 Amendment submitted in response to the March 9, 2005 Office Action. The undersigned gave a summary discussion of the substance of that Amendment and the remarks without providing any additional amendments or additional arguments or reasons for allowability. No agreement was reached since the Examiner expressed the need for fully considering the amendment when it comes up in its proper turn on the Examiner's docket.

As a result of the interview, Applicant is not submitting an amendment and believes the May 3, 2005 Amendment is fully responsive to the March 9, 2005 office Action and places this application in condition for allowance for the reason stated in the May 3, 2005 Amendment. If

the Examiner believes a further telephone conference will advance prosecution of this matter, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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